IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
	Devin Leake, et al.))
Serial No.:	10/551,350)) Art Unit) Unknowr
Filed:	October 19, 2006)
For:	MODIFIED POLLYNUCLEOTIDES FOR USE IN RNA INTERFERENCE)))
Confirmation No.:	3238))
Customer No.:	022913))
Examiner:	Unknown))

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.